

Sinclair Broadcasting ... Please stop this group from airing this very partisan "documentary" in the guise of an actual neutral "documentary" in state throughout the US. This seems clearly to violate the ostensible equal-handedness of the major media which, I believe, is their responsibility. Please require them to not air this piece and also to let them know that severe consequences can and will result if they choose to air it.

Thank you for listening.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.